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1. Officers, trudovaks, and men from various classes ranging from 1908 and 1909 to 1929, were recalled for training in Soviet weapons. The men were called up in two groups, one during April and May, and one during July and August.
2. In April and May 1952, twenty to thirty officers and men were recalled for training from the Kameno (N 42-34, E 27-18) area, Burgas okoliya. The men belonged to classes varying between 1909 and 1923. They were all sent to Zvezdets (N 42-07, 27-24), Burgas okoliya, and some of them were sent from here to Sredets (sic), Burgas okoliya. Their mobilization cards stated that their training period would last two to three months.
3. In July and August 1952, between 15 and 20 officers and men from the classes of 1908 and 1924, were recalled for training. This time their mobilization cards stated that they were being recalled for an indefinite period. Some of the men were sent to Zvezdets and others to Sredets.
4. In July 1952, two men from the Burgas area, both from a class later than 1924, were called to Sredets for active duty. One of these men was in the field artillery and the other was in the antiaircraft artillery.
5. On 12 October 1952, another group was recalled. One man in this group was from the class of 1918 and another was from the class of 1922 or 1923.
6. In May and in July 1952, approximately 200 reserve officers from Burgas and the surrounding area were recalled for two months weapons training. Some were sent to Aytos and others to Yambol, where they received approximately six weeks of theoretical instruction. They were later sent to various unidentified regiments, for practical instruction.

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7. [redacted] reserves are being called up throughout Bulgaria, and [redacted] 25X1
when one group is released, another one is called up. [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] persons from the Burgas area recalled for training in May 1952: 25X1

- a. Second Lieutenant Vlado Radulov, from Zhitarovo (sic), class of 1914, infantry;
and
b. Second Lieutenant Asen Koshev, from Burgas, class of 1922, infantry.

[redacted] persons recalled in July 1952: 25X1

- a. Lieutenant Pencho Penchev, from Atanasovo, class of 1915, cavalry; and
b. Slaveyko Atanasov Kurbankolev, from Zhitarovo, class of 1919, infantry.

8. [redacted] the 1933 class would be called up before the end of 1952. 25X1
The 1929, 1930, 1931, and 1932 classes are in the Army at the present time.
The 1929 class, which was scheduled to be released in 1952, was kept under arms
for six additional months, following the issuing of a special order.

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